

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Masahiro ARAI et al.
Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING
INTAKE AIR BY VARIABLE VALVE TIMING
Appl. No.: 09/727,554
Filing Date: December 4, 2001
Examiner: Unassigned
Art Unit: Unassigned



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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the present Application, Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 9, line 9, delete "Unassigned yet," and insert

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REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the foregoing amendments be made prior to examination of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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